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Students surveyed by RA's for dorm policy opinions

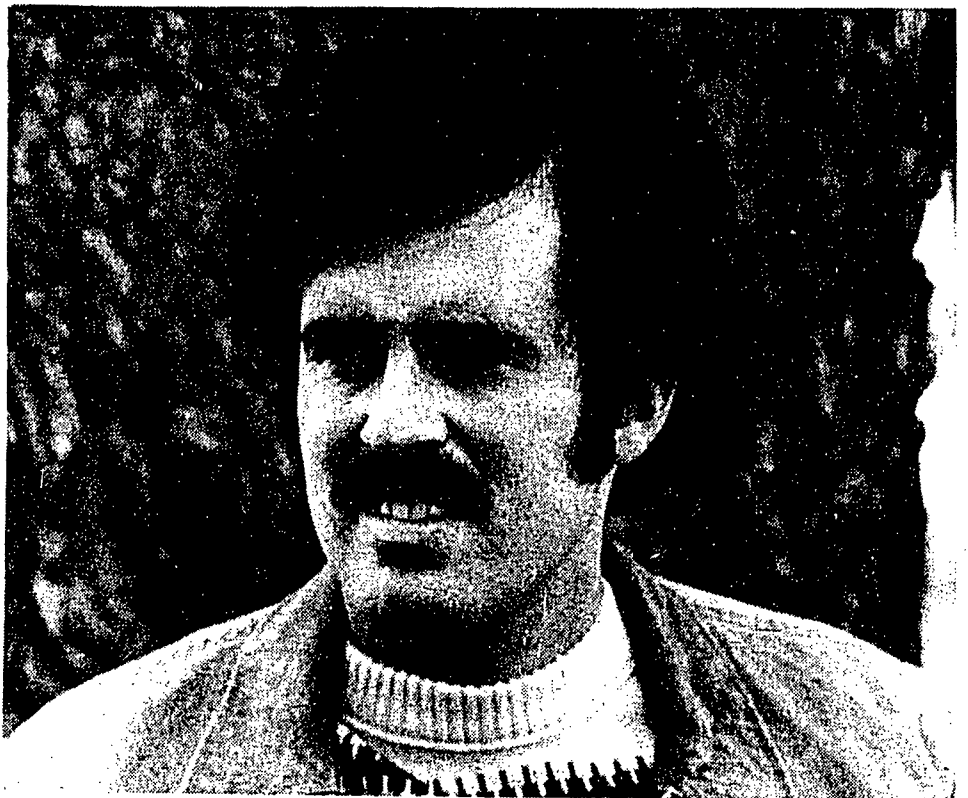
A proposal recommending changes in dorm regulations for North Complex was endorsed by Student Senate and Inter-residence Council recently.

The proposal was based on results of a survey administered by Resident Assistants (RA's) of North Complex during the week of October 10-16. From the 249 occupants of Cooper, Douglas and Tower Halls, all but 10 of the 245 who were surveyed were in favor of these proposals: extending open hours to 11 a.m.-12 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and to 11 a.m.-12:30 a.m. Friday and Saturday; allowing bicycles to be kept in rooms; and allowing students who have private rooms to move their beds together.

RA's who conducted the survey were Rex Gwinn — Head RA, Tim Bell, Andy Metz, Michael Fox, Jon Jessen and Bill Lux.

Explanations of the benefits from these changes were outlined in the proposal. Concerning open hours, benefits of the 11 a.m. recommendation included allowing a woman to bypass the main desk while going to a man's room. In permitting a student to move his beds together under an RA's supervision, he would be able to make his own decisions while any damage would be covered by the room deposit. No major custodial or safety problems would be expected from bicycles being kept in the rooms, which is supported by the successful similar policy set by the University of Missouri-Columbia this year.

If the proposal receives administrative approval, the RA's recommend that the open hours be voted on by each individual residence hall.



Based on the results of a survey administered by resident assistants, including Rex Gwinn, head R.A., a proposal recommending changes in dorm regulations for North Complex was endorsed by the Student Senate last week.



Photo by Vic Guteridge

Charles Wheeler and Sam Maligi



Soccer match

Photo by Vic Guteridge

NWMSU goes international



Blanca Alicia Llana and Marina Escobedo Photo by Mick Jones

Exotic atmosphere prevails

Ethiopia, Iran, Samoa, India, Taiwan—strange and exotic names for most NWMSU students and Maryville residents. Many of us will never have the chance to experience these different places and cultures, or to know the peoples who live there.

However last weekend the International Students Organization (ISO) pulled together in a cooperative effort to bring the people of Maryville closer to the greater world community by presenting International Weekend.

Events included soccer tournaments, exhibitions and displays featuring the arts and crafts of many different cultures, a

Saturday night dance and a speech by Mayor Charles Wheeler of Kansas City. The International Food Fair was held Sunday evening with dishes from over 20 nations prepared by the students. There was a sellout crowd on hand to sample the flavors of many lands.

Above, from left to right, Mayor Charles Wheeler is presented a plaque from Sam Maligi, ISO president. The NWMSU soccer team view for possession of the ball in competition with one of the 14 soccer teams here last weekend. An example of a Mexican craft, the pinata, was part of the Mexican and South American exhibition.

Redd looks ahead optimistically

Jim Conaway

After winning Saturday's (Oct. 23) close 10-7 victory over Central Missouri State, the Bearcat football team will host its final home game of the season against Missouri-Rolla at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow.

Both teams will enter the contest tied for the MIAA's third-place spot with 2-1 records. Overall, NWMSU holds a 6-1 record while Missouri-Rolla is 4-2-1.

Another game, which concerns 'Cat Coach Jim Redd and his football team, is the Southeast Missouri State vs. Northeast Missouri State game slated for 2 p.m. tomorrow at Kirksville.

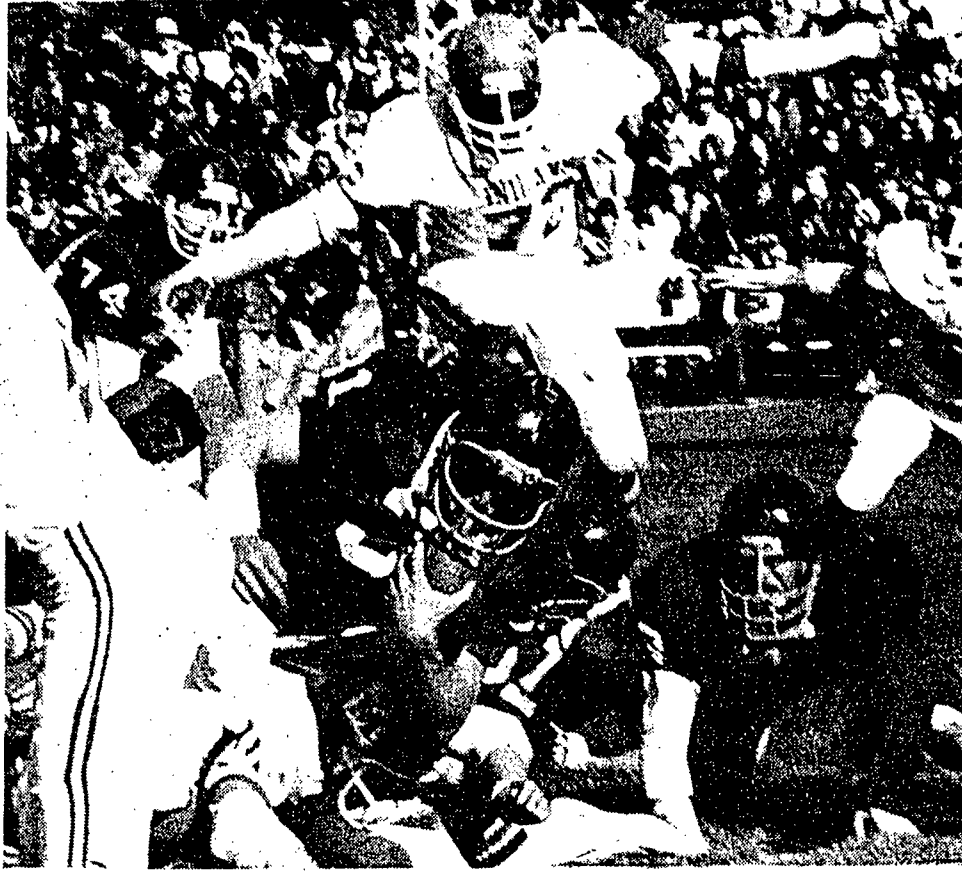
Both Northeast and Southeast are tied for the league's top spot with 2-0 records. Redd says his team will be rooting for Northeast.

"If Southeast wins it, that will put them one step closer to winning the crown," explained Redd. "But if Northeast wins, we'll have a chance to do something about how the league race comes out—provided we win the rest of our games."

NWMSU, who lost to Southeast 17-12 in an Oct. 16 contest, will travel to Kirksville Nov. 6 for a game against Northeast.

Redd said the game (Southeast vs. Northeast) was a "difficult one to predict" but gave a slight favorite nod to Northeast because of a home field advantage and stronger passing game.

In other MIAA action, Central Missouri 0-3, travels to Jefferson City for a game



It's a tight clinch for the unlucky Bearcat with the ball. The 'Cats have learned from past mistakes, however, and head into the last home game of the season with Missouri-Rolla, to be held Saturday (Oct. 30).

against Lincoln, 0-2, while Southwest Missouri State, 1-2 will meet Arkansas-Pine Bluff in a nonconference game there.

However, Redd's team will have to win tomorrow's game against Missouri-Rolla before looking ahead to the Northeast

match.

The visiting Miners will meet the Bearcats after losing 10-0 last week to Southwest Missouri State, but, according to 'Cat Coach Jim Redd, the Miners, who weren't picked to finish high in the MIAA standings, have been the league's surprise team.

Missouri-Rolla, who finished 1-7-2 last season started their season by losing to Missouri Valley, a team that was picked to win the Heart of America conference, 42-30.

But the Miners rebounded by whipping Mineral Water Bowl winners of last season, Missouri Western 7-6; Wayne State of Neb. 17-0; Lincoln 34-15; Central Missouri State 29-15; and tying KSC defensive—did a heck of a job," said Redd. "Those guys won a real battle of the trenches and after it they were covered with mud from head-to-toe."

Redd cited the efforts of offensive

linemen Mark Bowers and Mel Renfrow; tight ends Steve Tangeman and Dave Scott; defensive end Bob Wehde, who credited with six unassisted tackles and four assisted tackles; and linebacker Gary Coppinger, who made five unassisted tackles and four assisted tackles.

Statistically, the 'Cats dominated the game in first downs 16-12; rushing yardage 192-142; passing yardage 111-75; and total offense 303-217.

Pittsburgh 7-7 before losing last week's game.

Redd says the Miners have a strong passing attack and are a well-coached team. He also said the team returned many lettermen from last season.

The Miners are second in the league with fewest points allowed, while the Bearcats lead the league by giving up only 79 to Missouri-Rolla's 86.

Offensively, the Miners will be led by quarterback Ken Vaughn, who before last week's contest had completed 23 of 44 passing attempts for a .523 percentage mark.

In the backfield, Terry Ryan has been the team's workhorse by carrying 131 times for 526 yards and 4.0 average (before last week's game).

In winning last week's contest, Redd said he was happy about the win considering the conditions of Warrenburg's Vernon Kennedy Stadium. Because of three-inches of rain Friday and Saturday and because the Mules hosted a game earlier this season in the rain, the field was nothing but mud and the only area that had any grass was located between the hash marks and the sidelines.

"Our lines—both offensive and

MIAA

	MIAA W L T	Overall W L T
Southeast	2 0 0	5 2 0
Northeast	2 0 0	3 2 0
NWMSU	2 1 0	6 1 0
Mo.-Rolla	2 1 0	4 2 1
Southwest	1 2 0	2 5 0
Lincoln	0 2 0	0 7 0
Central	0 3 0	1 6 0

Last week:

Northeast 33, Lincoln 6
NWMSU 10, Central 7
Southwest 10, Mo.-Rolla 0

This week:

Southeast at Northeast
Mo.-Rolla at NWMSU
Central at Lincoln
Southwest at Ark.-Pine Bluff

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Members of the Bearkitten volleyball team are: front row (left to right), Janne Withrow, Brenda Baker, Debbie Schmidt, Joni Albin, Robin Sticken, Mary Bourne and Bessie Sullivan; back row, Kay McCormick, Dixie DeNeui, Mary Ellen Kuenning, Jane Mack, Claudette Gebhards, Deb Johnston and Michele Bruneteau.



'Kitten volleyball season ends

Jim Conaway

At the completion of what Coach Theresa Hospodarsky labels a disappointing season, the 'Kitten volleyball team will journey to the University of Missouri at St. Louis to compete in the

state volleyball tournament.

The round-robin tournament, which is to be Nov. 5 and 6, will include many of the teams which competed against the 'Kittens last year while on route to their 7-14 regular season record.

According to Hospodarsky, "There will be a lot of good teams that will be playing good volleyball, but even though we don't have much of a chance of winning first place, we are capable of upsetting some of the teams who will be battling for the top spot."

Lack of experience is one of the negative factors that has worked against the 'Kittens all season. According to Hospodarsky, "we played well against Minnesota, and we were the only team to beat them in a contest at Minnesota, and we also played well against Nebraska. But it seems that we play worse as the competition gets easier, and we don't win games that we have the ability to win."

Among the bright sides of the season, "We have had many young unexperienced kids learn a lot and gain valuable experience," exclaimed Hospodarsky.

In order to stage an upset Hospodarsky feels that, "the team must play a full eight minutes of volleyball, because during the season there were times when the girls would play the first four minutes

of the game well but then would give away the game during the second four minutes."

"Also," she continued, "the team has been having a hard time putting it all together. They can score 11 or 12 points easily, but they can't reach 15, and 15 points is what it takes to win," explained the coach.

Depending on the initial plays, Hospodarsky feels "that we will be capable of suprising somebody if we do get off to a good start."



SPORTS

Coach Glenda Guillian's Bearkitten cross country team, after taking a break from competition last week, will compete in tomorrow's (Oct. 29) Southwest Missouri State Invitational at Springfield. The 'Kittens will enter the meet as defending co-champs.

NWMSU's men's cross country team finished last in a triangular meet held here Friday (Oct. 22) with 71 points while Central Missouri State and Nebraska-Omaha finished first-second with 25 and 41 points, respectively.

The race, which was held on a six-mile straightway road course, was won by Central Missouri State's Ron Tabb, who recorded a wind-aided 28:14 clocking.

Times and places of NWMSU harriers were: 5. Vernon Darling 29:11; 13. Rudy Villarreal 30:11; 16. Jeff Roberts 30:28; 18. Dave Winslow 30:56; 19. Rich Rohde 31:03; 22. Bob Kelchner 31:24; 23. George Boateng 31:47; 24. Rex Jackson 31:59; 25. Mike Sayers 33:05; and 27. Jim Conaway 35:20.

The loss lowered the team's record to 2-4 and their next meet will be the MIAA championships, which will be held Friday, Nov. 6 at Springfield.

The Men's All School Intramural Cross Country Invitational will be held, Nov. 4. Entry deadline is Nov. 1; for more information, contact intramural director Jackie Hughes in the P.E. department.

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Kate Woolridge

(Taken from the Transylvania Traveller, Oct. 31. An article written by witch gossip columnist All H. (Hallows) Eve.)

Since the height of the social season is approaching, I thought that I would give all you ghouls some timely advice on the art of catching a man. As we all know, there are four available bachelors prowling around and they would be perfect for any witch, ghoul or goblin as an acceptable mate.

Count Dracula is the prime catch, since he has royal blood in his veins, along with some other types. That old neck-biter is giving a party in his castle. The only problem is that if you catch the Count, his side-kick Igor (who, like his master, is a little batty) has to hang around. Lately the Count has been bothered by pesky coffin callers who bring stakes and silver bullets and try to get him out into the sunshine (all of which could be hazardous to his health) and Igor has assumed the role of the Count's bodyguard. No wonder Dracula is so blood thirsty!

Frankenstein is just green with envy when he sees what a swinger the Count is. Frankie is also worthy of any ghostly ghoul in this community. Why, who wouldn't appreciate that square head, and those red scars, not to mention those adorable little bolts sticking out of his neck. He has a little bit of everybody in his dashing seven foot frame. Another advantage to this fella is that he is usually speechless and he would also be able to protect

Halloween love call:

*I wish he'd
bite my neck*



you from those pesky mortals who try so hard to imitate us.

Another real romantic (wolf) is the werewolf. This hairy dog really enjoys a ripping relationship, but he only gets to socialize when the moon is full. You might say that it brings out the beast in him. The old howler has been pursued by so many mortals who want to turn him into a clean-cut fella you know, one mortal even had the nerve to try to make the werewolf kneel in one spot for 100 years by telling him that his affliction would clear up and he wouldn't appear to be such a dog. Sometimes I think that mortals have no taste at all.

Our last prime catch is the mummy and he would make a goo partner if he would just relax and unwind a little. He gives the appearance of being an uptight stiff. Also, he wouldn't be much of a dancer unless you could get him to loosen up. Don't give up on the tightwad he would make a terrific mate if only you could get under his skin.

I don't know about you, but I intend to be at the Count's party and survey the eligibles. Speaking of which, it's time for me to straighten my pointed hat that's been in the family for years, put a little color on my beautiful nose wart and sweep off to Drac's place. Why, I intend to dance the monster mash and the jack-o-lantern jive all night.

Oh, I almost forgot—Trick or treat!

—BEARFACTS—

A foreign language house has now been set up by the foreign language department. Participants will live in a specified dorm room with someone studying the same language as they are for a week, speaking only that language while in the room. More information may be obtained from Mary Jackson in the foreign language department.

The NWMSU chess club will have a chess session Oct. 29 at 3:30 p.m. in the Den of the Student Union.

All interested persons, including beginners, are invited to attend. If possible, bring your own chess set. If you have any questions, see Adrian Huk in Colden Hall 115.

Residents of Dietrich and Franken residence halls will be participating in a UNICEF drive on Saturday and Sunday nights, Oct. 30 and 31.

Saturday they will collect at the football game and go through all the dorms on Sunday from 7:30 to 10:30. This drive is sponsored by Dorm Council.

The Pre-Medical Proessions Club will be meeting at 5:30 p.m. every first and third Monday of each month. Anyone wishing to join, but unable to attend the next meeting should contact Greg Oberman at the Student Health Center.

Parties planned **classifieds**

Halloween parties are being planned by many of the religious groups on campus.

The Sunday Night Supper Club is holding a Halloween costume party at 8 p.m. Oct. 31, and refreshments will be served. The Wesley group is also expecting people to wear costumes that evening. They will meet at the center at 6:45 p.m. to go out trick or treating. Christ Way Inn is also making plans for a party.

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Student experiences hazards as lifeguard

Kathy Delk

Shining brightly, the sun beats down upon a young man sitting in a lifeguard's chair. As he scans the breaker waves, he sees a young boy being sucked out into the deep waters. Two whistles are blown and he jumps down into a nearby sand pile and swims out into the ocean to rescue the child. . .

To Phil Esposito, NWMSU sophomore, this is all in a summer day's work. During the summer months he is a lifeguard at Fire Island, which is off the coast of New York. He has been a life-guard for five years; three years at a swimming pool, and two years at the island.

Esposito began swimming when he was nine-years-old. When he was a freshman, he became a member of his high school swim team.

"I didn't want to wrestle any more and the swimming coach asked me to go out for the swim team," said Phil. "I was second on the team my freshman year and I got the MVP award." (MVP stands for most valuable player.)

To be a lifeguard, passing a Civil Service Test is required. This involves swimming and rescue skills, a first aid written test and a test in giving respiration. The test according to Esposito is very rigid. There are 30 parts that are graded on a one to four basis, with one being the highest grade.

"If you get a four on any two parts, you fail the test," commented Esposito, "or if you don't pass either the first aid written or respiration test, you fail."

Esposito commented that out of the 62 people that took the test at the same time he did, only seven passed.

He took the job because of "the money, it was a good summer job and I liked the contact with the public."

Not all glamor

One might think being a lifeguard is a 'glamorous' job, but according to Esposito, it's not.

"A lot of people think the main part of being a lifeguard is saving people, but we're suppose to prevent accidents before they happen. If we see someone going out too far, we blow (whistle) them in or if they go past the flags, we blow them in," the young man said. "We take care of any first aid on the beach or jelly fish bites."

There were two shark attacks this past summer at Fire Island beach. A shark put its fin through a man's raft, cutting his leg. The wound originated an inch above the knee and continued through the thigh. Esposito took a surfboard out to the raft to rescue the man. After bringing him back to shore, he and two other lifeguards put the man on oxygen to prevent shock. They then treated the wound and called the Coast Guard. The beach was closed for the remainder of the day.

Another incident Esposito recalled was a sailboat mishap. The pin that holds the mast up came out and the boat tipped over.

"We had to swim a line out and I had to go out with a surfboard and pull them in," Esposito remembers.

Responsibilities

Some of the responsibilities of a lifeguard are first-aid, breaking up fights on the beach and keeping intoxicated people out of the water.

"We are liable for anything that happens. If we treat a cut wrong and it gets infected, the person can bring up charges," stated Esposito, "or if we bring someone in from the water and they say we were too rough, they can bring charges against us."

Lifeguards are protected by the Good Samaritan Law. When a citizen goes out of his way to help another citizen, he's doing it out of the goodness of his heart. Under that law, a lifeguard can't be prosecuted.

To be a lifeguard, Esposito commented you must be able to work with the public and be patient and polite when people get "mouthy."

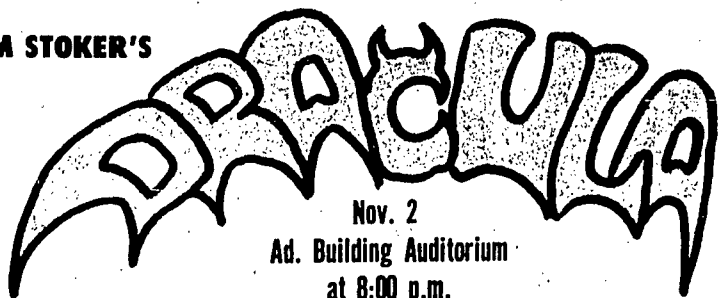
"A lot of people don't understand what we are doing; we are trying to help them," the lifeguard explained.

During Christmas vacation, he plans to go to Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. He's been offered a job as a lifeguard by a former high school swimming coach. Next summer he will work at Fire Island again.

"I'd like to teach industrial arts when I graduate and be a lifeguard during the summer," Esposito concluded.

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Faculty members present recital slated for Nov. 3

Featuring Frances Mitchell, Peggy Bush and Tim Timmons, the first faculty recital of the year will be Nov. 3 at 8 p.m. in the Charles Johnson Theater.

Mitchell, a music instructor, will present a five piece song cycle. Songs included in the cycle are "Fiancialles pour rire" by Poulenc; "Le Chant du veilleur" for soprano, piano, and saxophone by Nim; "Der Hirt auf dem Felsey" for soprano, piano and clarinet by Franz Schubert, "Ach, ich fühl's" for

the Magic Flute by Puccini; and "In Questa Reggia" from Turandot by Puccini.

Accompanying Mitchell on the clarinet and saxophone will be Tim Timmons, also a music instructor.

Chopin's Impromptu in F sharp major, O.P. 36 and Sonata Para Piano-adagu Molto Appassionato and Ruvido ed Ostinato by Alberto Ginastera will be presented in a piano solo by Bush, another instructor in the music department.



A special recital featuring faculty members will be held Nov. 3 at 8 p.m. in the Charles Johnson Theater. Frances Mitchell, Peggy Bush and Tim Timmons will perform.

Alumni job findings told

Eight hundred NWMSU graduates have been placed in jobs during the 1975-76 placement season, according to Donald Carlile, director of placement.

Of this total, 420 are 1975-76 graduates, while the rest are alumni and reciprocity candidates. This compares with 498 new graduates and a total of 799 placements during 1974-75.

The types of employment these graduates have reportedly gone into include military service, additional study, teaching positions and employment in business, industry and governmental service.

The total of 800 reporting employment is the result of 767 new enrollees and 960 alumni and reciprocity candidates who sought the help of the Placement Service during the past year.

Carlile commented that the Placement Service again has the problem of a failure of candidates to report their employment. "Very few candidates have indicated to us they are still actively seeking positions, which leads us to believe that those not reporting are undoubtedly engaged in employment, additional study, or, as is the case of women candidates, assumed the role of homemakers," Carlile said.

The largest number of candidates reported employment in the field of education, with large numbers going into business and industry. Also, 32 people reported going on to additional study, with the majority of them staying at NWMSU.

Humorist on campus

Deanne Stillman, one of the editors of Titters, the world's first collection of humor by women, will speak in the Administration Building auditorium Nov. 3 at 8 p.m. Titters contains parody, satire, social comment and just plain silliness from over a hundred women, including Anne Meara, Phyllis Diller and Candice Bergin. It has been called "irreverent," "brilliant," "unbelievable," "a work of genius," and "funnier than Earth Shoes." To find out why, Union Board invites everyone to come to Stillman's lecture on Nov. 3.

Ag plans set

Citing the fact that the Agriculture Club is now the second largest group on campus, Chris Ross, president of the organization, said that he is pleased that their membership has doubled to 90 this semester over last.

A barnwarming Nov. 3 is the next activity planned by the club. To be held in the newly completed Agriculture Mechanics Laboratory, the dance is open to all Agriculture Club and Delta Tau Alpha honorary fraternity members, agricultural majors and their dates.

Under Ross, other club officers are Jim Collins, vice-president; Vicki O'Hearn, secretary; Dave Cooper, treasurer; Kris Pery, historian; and Pat Dudley, social chairman. Sponsors for the organization are Joe Garrett and Dr. Harold Brown.

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Campus is caught up in T-shirt craze

(Far right) To keep up with rising demand, Ron's Squire Shop boasts a special T-shirt section and makes the claim "We print anything." (right) Displaying her "walking advertisement," Cathi Lauderdale junior, joins in the T-shirt craze which has invaded the NWMSU campus.



Joy Szyborski

"Do it in the street."

Do what in the street?? Is this what I think it is? Has the Northwest Missourian become a promoter of pornography?

Not so. This is just one of the catchy phrases that has found its way onto the chests of NWMSU students. The T-shirt craze that has been popular on the east and west coasts for the past few years has hit the NWMSU campus this fall. Wherever you look, "Hudson Hilton," "Get off my case," and "Foxy Lady" have been personified on the bodies of students.

What is the reason for this sudden popularity of the T-shirt? According to Ron Whitely, owner of Maryville's Squire Shop, "It's a personal thing." He said that a T-shirt is a fun, individual way for a student to express himself.

Whitely stated the T-shirt fad has developed into a "good pastime" for his business. On slow days, he said, there is always T-shirt printing to fall back on. He explained that a proprietor in St. Joseph convinced him to purchase a machine and establish T-shirt printing in his store. Since the university is so close, T-shirts seemed like a good way to "draw more kids in." As a result, he has sectioned off a small area in the back of his shop for this purpose. Whitely offers a number of plastic and ink transfers, but boasts that he "will print anything."

Although this has not seemed to cause any problems at NWMSU, there have been reports of students from other schools being told to stop wearing certain shirts because of obscene and offensive emblems.

Many of the Greek societies on campus have T-shirts bearing their insignias, which help to unify and identify the members. Dorm dwellers have also developed their own themes, such as "North Fourth—it's Worth the Climb."

Why do NWMSU students and hundreds of thousands of other students across the nation, like to wear T-shirts? Responses are as varied as the students themselves. For some, it's the price: "They're cheap." For others, it's the practicality: "They're soft and warm and they don't get wrinkled."

"Usually, I feel sloppy and don't want to dress up." Some students like the attention they bring: "They're conversation pieces." A few students stated personal reasons for wearing T-shirts: "I like them because you can tuck them in." "I like them because you can wear them outside your pants." And, of course, there are always the non-conformists. "I don't."

Like blue jeans, it seems that the T-shirt has become the perfect apparel for the college student. Inexpensive, comfortable, practical and easy to care for, their popularity is quickly growing. So, if you want to add a little excitement to your wardrobe, go buy a T-shirt and express yourself. After all, "Anything Goes!"



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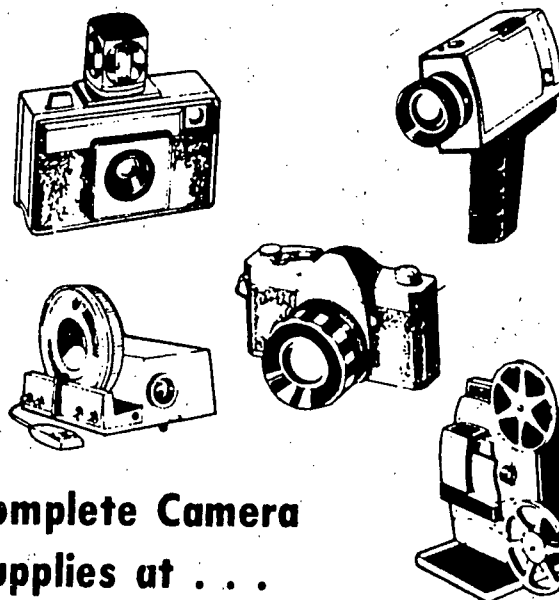
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Incumbent states stand

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"Trust is not being all things to all people, but being the same thing to all people. Trust is not cleverly shading words so that each separate audience can hear what he wants to hear, but saying plainly and simply what you mean and meaning what you say."

Gerald Ford claims that he has started America on the slow road to recovery since taking office in 1974. And that the nation is beginning to heal from Watergate, bad economy and inflation.

Ford leans toward the conservative side of issues. In the past he has backed revenue sharing, proposed low income housing aid, demanded full disclosure of Congressional campaign finances, backed the Vietnam War and space research.

Ford said that the middle man is getting all the profit from food goods, not the farmer or the consumer. What must be done, Ford says, is to find out "why there is such an abnormally high difference between what the farmer gets and what the consumer pays. . ."

On the issue of taxes, Ford's major objective is to simplify the tax system and make it more equal and fair.

"The tax proposals I have recommended will give the middle income tax payers the kind of tax relief they both need and obviously deserve."

Ford has sent to Congress a mandatory sentencing bill for narcotics offenders. Under this bill, sentences are three years for the first offense and six years for the second, with no parole permitted.

Opposing abortion "on demand," Ford believes, though, that it is justified in cases of rape or when the mother's life is in danger. He favors a constitutional amendment giving the states the responsibility of reforming abortion limits.

In the debate, President Ford was confronted with the question of handgun control. Robert Maynard, editorial writer for the Washington Post, said that Ford has been the "intended victim of would-be assassins using handguns, yet he (Ford) is still opposed to handgun control."

Ford repeated that the registration of handguns hasn't decreased or the use of the gun in committing the crime.

"What we have to do is to make it very difficult for a person who uses a gun in committing a crime, to stay out of jail," Ford said.

He summed up his closing speech at the final debates by saying:

"... I've been proud to be president of the United States during the troubled times. I love America just as you love America. I would be the highest honor for me to have your support on November 2 and for you to say 'Jerry Ford, you've done a good job, keep on doing it' ..."

Carter voices opinions

"... I favor a simplified tax system which treats all income tax the same."

Carter favors the registration of handguns and the banning of the "Saturday night specials."

"I have been a hunter all my life and happen to own both shotguns, rifles and a handgun. The only purpose I would see in registering handguns and not long guns of any kind, would be to prohibit the ownership of those guns by those who have used them to commit a crime. . ."

Carter would only impose criminal sentences on large dealers in marijuana, not on the occasional user. He stated that any change in marijuana laws should be done on the state level, and the federal government shouldn't interfere with the matter.

Abortion is wrong, Carter feels, and the government shouldn't do anything to encourage it. "I think we ought to do everything to have better education, family planning and contraceptives."

In his closing speech of the final debates, Carter said:

"Now I don't know all the answers. Nobody could. . . I believe that if we are inspired, if we can achieve a degree of unity, if we can set our goals high enough and work toward recognized goals with industry, labor and agriculture along with the government at all levels, then we can achieve great things. . ."

McCarthy makes return

Unlike other organized candidates in the presidential race, Eugene J. McCarthy is running as an independent; he's not bound by any party.

As in 1968 when he ran for the presidency, McCarthy's support is drawn largely from the students. This campaign is different than the one in 1968 when thousands of students would gather to hear him attack the Vietnam War, according to Jamie Yeager, McCarthy's press secretary. Today, the political climate on the campuses is relatively quiet and a small number of students are involved in politics, compared to 1968.

In 1968, he explained, "everyone was turned on by the war issues, whereas now the senator's supporters are more committed because they've made a rational judgment, requiring more forethought."

McCarthy has a good chance to influence the national election outcome, which would hurt Jimmy Carter. The Democrats believe that they will be victims of whatever strength McCarthy can get. They see the McCarthy voter as a liberal Democrat who would choose Carter over Ford in a two-way race.

Opposed to both the Democrat and Republican parties, McCarthy attacks Carter more. "... In some ways I think Ford may have a slightly better constitutional conception of the presidential office than Carter does," he said in an interview with "Meet the Press" in July.

McCarthy's platform is somewhat the same as it was in 1968. He continues to condemn American military and foreign policy. He favors a \$20 to \$30 billion cutback in defense spending. He also criticizes the personalization of the office of president.

There are two new themes that have been added to the McCarthy campaign

that were not present in 1968 — work redistribution and the reduction of automobile use.

McCarthy's answer to unemployment is shorter working hours. He says that it would open new jobs for the unemployed. Tracing the energy crisis to automobiles, McCarthy is in favor of excise taxes to discourage the building of bigger cars. He would also require the construction of fuel-efficient cars.

Irritated by the 1974 campaign law that gives \$21.8 million to Carter and Ford, but nothing to him, McCarthy spent much of his time in 1975 in court action to get the law changed. He said it was "only an insurance policy guaranteeing longer life to the doddering two-party system."

The Supreme Court did declare parts of

the law unconstitutional earlier this year, but the funding of the two major parties was left the same. McCarthy says that the legislation has crippled his fund-raising.

McCarthy has no national running mate for vice-president. He favors the elimination of the office. McCarthy aides claim that various state laws require the naming of a local running mate in getting a ballot position. Because of this, he has several different running mates, all of which are politically unknown.

McCarthy will consider his campaign a success if it exerts a balance of power in the election and makes it easier for other independent candidates to run for the office of president in the future.

Third parties have difficulties

In the past, there has never been a third party that has won a presidential election. Only one person has received more than one quarter of the popular vote—Theodore Roosevelt, a Bull Moose candidate in 1912.

Of the money that third parties raise, much of it is used to win ballot positions. Major parties have assured positions on the ballots in all 50 states, but the third parties must circulate filing petitions to get on the ballots. The petitions must follow varied and often complicated election laws. Many candidates lack time and resources to get the petitions filed in all states.

Unlike the major candidates who travel across the country in chartered jets, third party candidates must drive or fly commercially. They are not greeted by large crowds or reporters and usually seek out local media and invitations to speak.

Despite all the things that are against the third party, signs show that the ideas third parties have aren't hopeless. Since the mid-60's, there has been an increase in the number of independent voters. In 1964, the Gallup Poll identified 22 percent of the

American people as independents. Since then, there has been a 10 percent increase in the independent vote. This is said to signify that party ties that were once vital, aren't as important now.

Because of dissatisfaction with major parties, there has been a decline in voter turn-out. A survey taken by Peter D. Hart Research Associates, of the non-voting American, showed that the main reasons for declining turn-outs was disillusionment with candidates and feelings of isolation from the political system.

Third party candidates see these trends as a beginning for them, although they admit that financial and media limitations will prevent them from succeeding in 1976. They haven't lost the belief that someday the third party will be more than just a way to balance the powers in a two-way race.

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John W. Zimmerman, Nodaway County Clerk, reported a large turn-out in student registration on campus last month. For many students this will be the first time for them to exercise their voting right.

National trend reveals student apathy

Because of disillusionment in the government and lack of "youth issues," students across the nation are disinterested in the upcoming election, reported an Associated Press story by Mike Silverman last week.

In his article, Silverman quoted Tony Hillerman, assistant to the president at the University of New Mexico who said, "Today's student is less the crusader and more the standard American. Attitudes here toward the presidential campaign have reverted to early 1960's apathy."

John Frazier, president of Penn State's Students for Carter said, "Most students aren't interested in politics. They're interested in sports and beer."

Early in September, a national survey of voting habits revealed that approximately half the 150 million Americans eligible to vote haven't registered and don't plan to.

Of those who don't plan to register, 46 percent are 35 or younger, according to a poll, commissioned by the Non-Partisan Committee for the Study of the American Electorate in Washington, D.C.

In Silverman's article, H. Edwin Young, Chancellor at the University of Wisconsin, offers another explanation for the disinterest. "The excitement the other candidates produced in the past is just not there."

Vic Petroff, student body president at Stanford, said, "The events of the last eight years have brought a good deal of student disillusionment about the political process. I don't see widespread apathy, but I don't think we're going to break any voting records either."

Silverman reported that Clarissa Gibbert, president of the National Student Association, believes the lack of interest in the election is due to the fact that no candidate has said anything about the main issues that students are concerned with.

"They want to hear things like federal funding for higher education and jobs after they graduate," Gibbert said. "Ford hasn't offered anything for the students, and the best Carter has done is said a few things about amnesty and marijuana."

Students name their presidential choice in campus poll

The results of an informal poll at NWMSU seem to indicate that students are interested in who will lead the country, but are not as enthusiastic about the candidates.

Citing that "there are no student issues" and that "both candidates seem similar," many students commented that they are having a tough time deciding who to vote for if they decide to vote at all.

"I'm not too satisfied with the other candidates and they're both about the same," said Marc Talkington, a senior from Henderson, Ia., "so I'm voting for McCarthy."

Gene Gladstone, a freshman from St. Louis, said he would probably vote for Ford. "Carter is ambiguous. I'm not tremendously impressed by either candidate so I haven't really gotten interested in the campaign," he remarked.

A freshman from Excelsior Springs, Jarrod Radcliffe, said she will probably vote for Carter. "I don't like Ford at all, I would like to see a Democrat in office for a change."

The fact that Ford "hasn't done anything for the office" is the reason JeAnn Soren,



Gene Gladstone



JeAnn Soren



Craig Denzin

sophomore from Grandview, will vote for Carter.

A senior from Kansas City, Lawrence Love said he is leaning toward Carter. "It's time for the Democrats to get into office because the Republicans have blown it for the past years."

Craig Denzin, a freshman from St. Louis, said that he supports Ford. "He came in and did the job when it needed to be done. Carter has too many new ideas."

A freshman from Maysville, Jo Davis is backing Ford because "he knows what he's talking about more than Carter."

Tom Kincheloe, a senior from Clarinda, Ia., is for Ford "basically because of my conservative philosophy," which he believes Ford possesses, also.

A McCarthy backer, Tim Humlicek, junior from Carroll, Ia., said, "I find McCarthy has better ideas and is a better individual than

Carter or Ford at the present. Their party platforms are too generalized." Humlicek believes that student opinion is important. "They can make up a high majority of the votes and get things changed."

"I like the way Ford stands on his foreign policy," said Cindy Keltner, a sophomore from Kansas City. She also added that she believes "most kids don't care one way or the other who wins."

A senior from Kansas City, Donna Frazier favors McCarthy. "He's sincere and would like to see more for the common people."

Bill Fuenfhausen, junior from Keytesville, summed up the reason for many students' general lack of interest in the election by saying, "The students are sick of the bureaucracy, being deceived, there are no striking candidates and they evade the issues. They're making personal attacks on each other's integrity so both are failing to communicate to the public that either one of them is honest."

Poverty is powerful

Barb Gohlke

Was slavery really abolished in 1865? On Tobacco Road in Georgia, circa 1930, slavery was still alive and well and doing a brisk business.

This form of bondage was called sharecropping, and was slavery in nearly every sense of the word, except that the sharecropper was free to leave. If he could pay the company store. If he could pay the landowner \$50. If he had any education. Any knowledge of a better life. Any hope for the future. Enough food to eat to maintain health. Good land to farm to get money to do all these things. At an average annual income of \$150-\$200, his situation was almost hopeless.

Such is the plight of the characters in the classic Erskine Caldwell novel, Tobacco Road. Playwright Jack Kirkland, in adapting the story to the stage, has remained essentially faithful to the aim and purpose of the story. The play will be presented by the Speech and Theatre department 8 p.m., Oct. 18-22 with a matinee 2 p.m. Sunday. A preview is planned 2 p.m., Oct. 17. It will be presented in the Administration Building Little Theatre.

Don Folkman, technical director for the Speech and Theatre department, is responsible for set design and construction and for all the properties used. "Actually, as far as Tobacco Road goes," said Folkman, "it's not such a problem with us. I mean, everything is real. You don't have to imitate anything, like we had to in 'Italian Straw Hat.'" To insure that everything is completely natural, 20 cubic yards of dirt and sand is being trucked in to put on stage. An old barn is being torn down and used to build the Lester's decaying old cabin and rickety fence. A dead tree stands by the cabin accompanied by various pieces of old farm machinery and a junked car with sundry bits of trash scattered about.

"In fact," said Folkman, "everything in this play is dead, sickly." The purpose of this is to emphasize the fact of extreme, gnawing poverty. Poverty such as probably no one in the audience has ever before experienced. This is not the poverty of being unable to send kids to college, or buy a new car, but the poverty of actual starvation. The Lesters are reduced to the most primitive essentials.

"All they care about is food, warmth and sex. That's getting pretty close to basic animalism. All Jeeter Lester's family means to him is just mouths to feed," said Folkman.

The play could be said to be realistic. But theatrically, it is termed naturalistic, the difference, defined by Folkman is this: "In a realistic play, you might be shown a sack of trash sitting on the stage. That's realism. But in a naturalistic play, the audience is shown the garbage inside the sack."

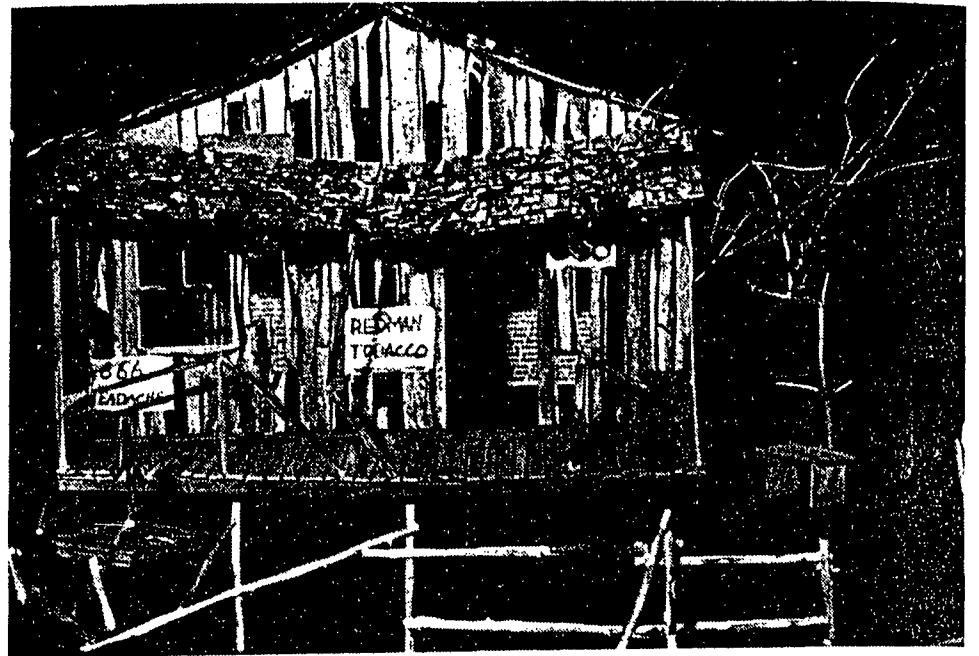
Being a naturalistic play, not only must the audience believe that what is taking place onstage is real, the actors themselves must believe it. Therein lies the challenge. How does a group of young, middle-class actors make themselves believe that they are a family of starving Georgia cracker sharecroppers? Instructor David Shestak, director of the play, has some ideas.

"Right now and throughout the play," said Shestak, "the cast is undergoing sensitivity training sessions. Because when they get up there on that stage, the audience must not be aware that these are actors saying lines."

According to Folkman, Shestak will ask the cast to try such things as a meatless diet or partial fasting, going unwashed for a certain period of time, and is planning to feed them a tasteless mixture of cornbread, made with cornmeal and water with a little molasses at rehearsals, which was the staple diet of the Lester family.

In the Lester family, there is no room for love or compassion. The old grandmother is brutally treated, as the Lesters wait for her to die, so that they can have her pitiful share of food. The only pleasure in life here is sex. Not sex with love or caring, but a basic, rutting type of sex. Since any form of birth control was unknown, an unfortunate side effect of this was lots and lots of children. The Lesters themselves had 17 and three remain at home. The parents are trying frantically to be rid of them so that they won't have to feed them.

There are very few stage productions of Tobacco Road since it is so difficult to act and to produce. "I think everybody should come see this," said Folkman, "because if they don't see it now, they might not get another chance."



The barren setting of "Tobacco Road" illustrates the futility and degradation of the Jeter Lester family. The speech and theatre department will present this play at 8 p.m., Nov. 18-22 in the Administration Building's Little Theatre.

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The play avoids the out-dated stage conventions of earlier productions, but still tries to capture the primitive power of Stoker's novel—that confrontation between the known and unknown—between mind and myth—as well as the good old creepy-crawlies which are expected to accompany it.

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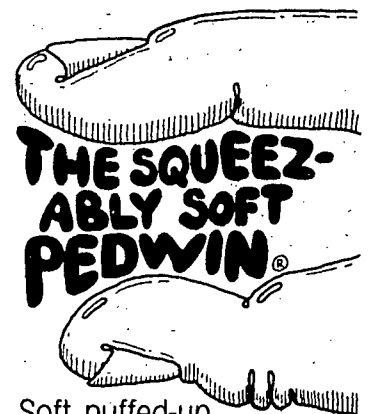
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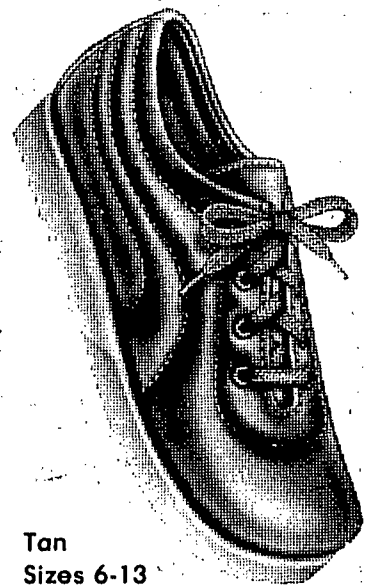
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Donna Frazier

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The words came from a song entitled "If You Could See Yourself (Through My Eyes)" and that is the way you will probably feel about Andy Pratt's album, Resolution; you'll just love your way through it all.

Pratt has released an album which should finally gather all types of music fans and make them sit up and take note, by using words, tones and harmony.

*Set your sights on the broad daylight
on those dreams inside of you
Ready or not
give it all you got
and the sun will shine on you."*

For those of us who enjoy soft, mellow music more than any other kind, this album has been long awaited and its arrival made the wait worthwhile. The album is well put together and seems to flow as if one song simply leads into another (there is no duplication of melody, just good music) and the album is over before you realize it or want it to end.

There are several choice tunes on the album (each is a treasure in itself) and as

characteristic of Dave Mason's music, the words make the song. The inside album jacket bears the words to each song, and the songs will mean a lot more if you understand the meaning Pratt is putting to music. Each song could hold a special meaning to someone simply by a one line phrase, or a whole paragraph or chorus.

Choice cuts are: "Resolution" (the title song), "If you could see yourself (through my eyes)", "Can't stop my love," "Set your sights," and my favorite, "That's when miracles occur." For those who want to advance themselves, "Set your sights," should hold special meanings, not just in financial matters but in personality growth as well.

Although, "Resolution" is the title song on the album, I feel it is the one that means the least. The melody, tone, and mood portray courage, demands, and hopes, but the words don't illustrate this emotional level.

The rest of the album falls into place, and the words and mood seems to match. The second side of the album also reflects a mood of promise and hope.

The closing lines of the last song on the album seem to end it all:

*"Stand up for that right
Fight that fight
Light that light"*

Keep singing and playing Pratt, the music is beautiful.

Geology trips scheduled

Field trips in the earth science department are being scheduled for all interested students.

The first trip, a one-day outing, will begin in Nodaway County when the introductory geology class views a glacier deposit. From there to Kansas City they will see fossil collections, underground limestone quarries, sedimentary rocks and possibly a solar-heated house. The students will be accompanied by Dr. Dwight Maxwell and Dr. David Cargo, both from the earth science department.

In November, members of the faculty and earth science majors will attend the Geology Association of America annual meeting to be held in Denver, Colo.

Later in the year, a weekend Ozark trip, also for earth science majors, will be taken to southeast Missouri.

Offered as a two-hour course, a May field trip will be open to any interested student. In past years this class has traveled to the Pacific Ocean, the Grand Canyon and Texas and New Mexico on a desert trip. The destination for this year's group is still being discussed.

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Book theft decreases

Bill Fuenfhausen

The Learning Resources Center at NWMSU, like many other university libraries across the nation, has experienced the crime wave of book theft and mutilation in past years. Following the national trend, the University retaliated in 1974 by installing an electronic security system.

Libraries nationwide have been forced to resort to costly electronic security devices in the effort to stifle the stealing and mutilation of library materials. "We are in the midst of a national crime wave in libraries," according to Patrick Barkey, library director at Claremont College, in the Aug. 9 issue of *The Chronicle of Higher Education*.

The electronic security system was recommended for NWMSU following an extensive inventory of the library in 1972, when a high loss rate was revealed. Prior to installation of the detection system, approximately 1,000 volumes per year were stolen from the library, according to Dr. Charles Koch, director of learning resources at NWMSU. Since installation, the electronic guard has proved to be at least 90 per cent effective.

The system used by NWMSU is the 3M full-circulating variety, operating on the radio frequency principle. When a book is checked out, it is desensitized at the circulation desk, and then sensitized again upon its return. This system is being leased by the University for \$288 per month, with the option to buy. A system of this type sells for about \$15,000, including installation.

The IBM systems offer two basic types of sensitizing treatments. The double treatment—the book is sensitized and then desensitized on a routine basis—is the method predominately used at NWMSU. Then there is the permanently sensitized treatment, or "single status" in IBM jargon. Some libraries use this process for reference materials, but at NWMSU this treatment is only used on equipment that is not to be taken outside the library.

Librarians speculate that competition for grades and jobs, as well as the student's rationalization that taking a book they need (more than anyone else) isn't really stealing, accounts for many thefts.

According to Dr. Koch, high schools experience heavy book loss because most have no method of detection other than follow students. These booklifters then come to college with the same bad habit.

The ultimate victim of library theft and mutilation are students themselves, who must inevitably foot the bill of library expenditures for new books. The average library book in 1975 cost \$16.19, and in some fields cost considerably more. Also, in many cases, the books are difficult to acquire.

It is usually the innocent student who finds himself in a bind because he can't find the book assigned by a professor, and is still held accountable for learning the material.

Dr. Koch said that those who lift books "are those with discriminating tastes—those which are current and in high demand and of great interest." This includes books on such current topics as sex and drugs, and those books in heavy demand for classroom work that are not on reserve.

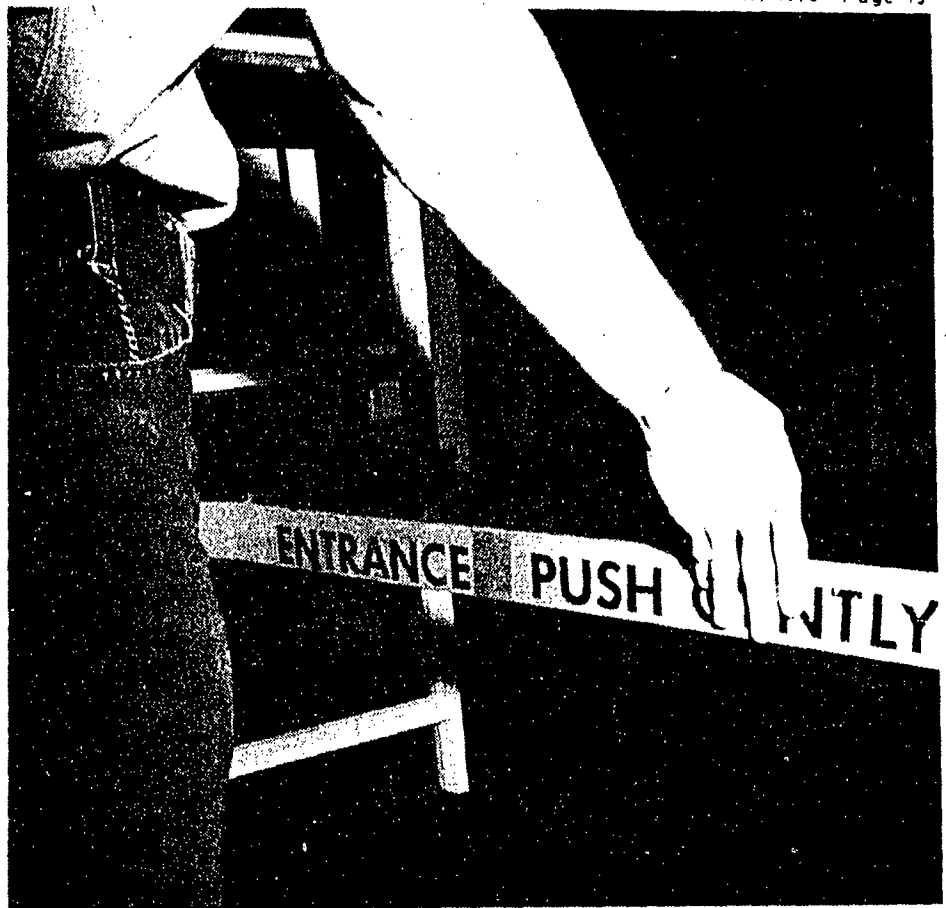
Generally, it is the newer books for which there is the greatest demand, both legitimately and illegitimately. Theft concerning books on the social sciences, texts in law and medicine, and works on physical education rate highest.

Universities nationwide discovered last spring that Winslow Homer prints had been taken from 19th century journals in their collections. Works such as these are nearly replacable.

The rise in library material thefts over past years can be substantiated by the number of libraries that have turned to the electronic security system to protect their collections. Missouri Western, in St. Joseph also installed their system in 1974, followed by Southwest Missouri State University in Springfield.

According to the article written by Gael M. O'Brien in the Aug. 9 issue of *The Chronicle*, "National Crime Wave Plagues University Libraries," some libraries using detection equipment reported that students had found ways to "debug" the books they wanted, thus preventing effective operation of the system. However, O'Brien stated, "Although no security system is perfect, librarians agree that electronic security systems have cut down on book thefts and will save money in the long run."

Dr. Koch sums up the necessity of the electronic security system with this statement: "We're not interested in keeping materials in the library, just in giving everyone an equal opportunity to use those materials, and prevent individuals from accumulating a private collection at the libraries' expense."



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CAMPUS FORUM

Dear Editor:

I was surprised to learn by reading the Northwest Missourian that interest in Newman House has declined. It is, perhaps, difficult to find an accurate gauge to measure interest, but if there is any way at all of doing so, I would be inclined to say interest is increasing.

As chaplain and director of Newman House, I would certainly like to go on record as saying, at least, interest in Newman House is not decreasing, as reported in the Missourian two weeks ago.

Fr. Chuck Jones
Newman House
University Catholic
Center

Dear Editor:

As a former faculty member and fraternity sponsor at NWMSU I looked forward to returning to the campus for last week's homecoming festivities. NWMSU has one of the finest homecoming celebrations in the nation and the work by all student organizations should be complemented.

But some things never change. As I read the Campus Forum in the latest issue of the Missourian I was again informed that the Greeks are still not receiving the credit they deserve. In my opinion the Greeks should have a majority of the space in all issues of the Missourian because they provide a majority of the non-academic life at

NWMSU which is as important to a student's college career as the academic life.

Of course it is impossible to give the Greeks enough credit. Some things just cannot be recognized. How can you recognize the total living experience offered by Greek Life? Where else on campus can you learn to live closely with from 20 to 60 people? Where else do you have the responsibility to control the finances of an organization? Where else do you have the responsibility to keep neat living quarters? Yes, just where else can you get a total education?

The problem of non-recognition will always exist for Greeks. But don't worry about it. In the long run any member of a

Greek organization will be the one who benefits and the recognition of the total education of the student will come about when you leave the campus a well adjusted, informed and responsible citizen.

I cannot end this letter without stating that I miss being a fraternity sponsor. Without a doubt it was the most rewarding experience of my life. And you Greeks will also look back and say the same thing of your association with your sorority or fraternity.

Cordially,
Jerry D. Hansen

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Lockhard given new scholarship

Kathy Lockhard is the recipient of a \$100 scholarship sponsored by the special education department.

The special education faculty decided to give donations for the award because "there was a need for one so we just started one up," said Gerald Wright, member of the scholarship committee.

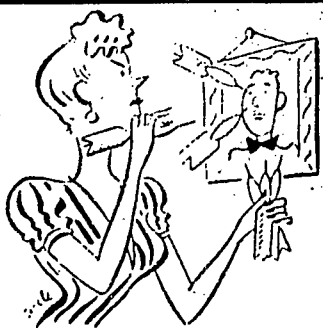
Special education students with grade point averages of at least 2.75 and who are classified as juniors, seniors or grad students were evaluated on three aspects: scholarship, type of activity involvement and need. Judging was done by eight faculty members.

Lockhard, who was served with the Missouri Association of Children's Learning Disabilities, has participated in Head Start volunteer programs and has worked part-time as a teacher's aide.

This scholarship will be a great benefit to her and her husband, who is also a student working part-time, according to Wright.

The scholarship was sponsored by faculty members: Zelma Akes, Richard Riley, Dr. Bettie Vanice, John Fussar, Kathrine McKee, Gerald Wright and Erma Merrick.

The group hopes to offer another scholarship next year.



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Campus athletes are 'on the wrong track'

Jim Conaway



NWMSU is in many ways Missouri's most beautiful campus, but the condition of its cross country course leaves an ugly scar on both the University and its athletic department.

Because nothing had been done earlier in the year or in past years by the campus maintenance crew to prevent the damage that has been done to the course, both the men's and women's cross country teams have had to find other sites for practice sessions. The men's squad has even been forced to hold two of its four home meets on the road.

Having to run cross country on the roads is something that should be both embarrassing and insulting to the men's and women's cross country teams and to the University. Some similar examples just as humiliating would be if the University had its basketball team play a game on the outdoor courts or if the swim team hosted a meet in the college pond.

Disregarding the men's and women's varsity squads, a good cross country course could also be used by faculty members and students, who jog or run for fun.

Both the men's and women's track teams would welcome the chance to work out on grass surface during the spring. According to Vernon Darling, captain of the men's cross country team, not only distance runners, but hurdlers and sprinters as well, could take advantage of the opportunity.

A good cross country course would be used as much by athletes in other sports who were preparing for their respective seasons. Almost anyone would rather run 10 miles around grass loops with a variety of scenery than eight monotonous laps around the outdoor track or 29 laps around the indoor track. And most athletes regardless of their sport, use long distance running to prepare for their seasons.

The course could justify its existence alone by the use that it would receive from the men's and women's cross country squads. The teams would use it for practice sessions and to hold home meets. And the squads should run their home meets on campus, instead of on a golf course, cow pasture or road five miles away from campus because people, whose money through tax dollars and tuition makes it possible for the teams to exist, should have a chance to see them compete.

If the course isn't repaired and the teams have to use the roads for practices and competition, the University had better start worrying about the safety of its runners. Cars tend to win the battle for road space and runners receive injuries like shin splints easier on the roads than they do on softer surfaces like grass.

If the University can't hold its annual high school cross country invitational because of course problems, then it can count on losing good advertising that NWMSU is able to present before 400 high school runners plus their coaches, parents and followers.

Physical plant director Bob Brought said the problem will be solved as soon as he and men's cross country coach Earl Baker get together and make long-range plans concerning the course.

There is a good chance that the course problem might be solved without Baker and Brought having to meet. Brought explained that his department is planning to add two practice football fields and a combination baseball-softball practice diamond at the southwest corner of the course, which is the area that was damaged most by the high school runners competing in Sept. 24's high school invitational meet. And if that much of a facelift is done to the area, it's doubtful that Brought's crew would leave the mess there untouched.

But whatever the case, it is Baker and Brought that will have to remove the ugly scar from Missouri's most beautiful campus.

COMMENTARY

Men, yes, but unescorted?

Joy Szymborski

Hudson Hall, one of the women's dormitories, has established on a trial basis a no-escort policy for its male visitors. What this signifies is that during open hours, 1 to 12 a.m., men have free access to visit throughout the hall, without a female escort. This policy was adopted on a trial basis by the Dorm Council last spring. Soon, the council will be voting on whether to continue the new policy, or to return to the old system of female escorts.

I would like to urge the Dorm Council to reject the new no-escort policy on several grounds. First of all, being a freshman, I was not prepared for this situation when I arrived. I had no idea that men were allowed to roam the dorm freely and I was disconcerted when I discovered this policy. There are times when I find it very inconvenient to have men wandering the halls of my dorm. After classes, if I want to shower or just put on a bath robe, I find it rather embarrassing to have men around. During the warm summer and spring months, if I want to open my door for some fresh air, I now have to stay dressed, for fear that a male might stroll by.

EEK! There's a man in my bathroom. . .

I do not object to men being in the dorm if they are there for a reason. If they are visiting friends, or seeking a particular person, this seems more than reasonable. But I do not see why groups of men should be allowed to wander up and down the halls, with no specific purpose, other than looking for trouble and making sly remarks. During a recent football game, I returned to Hudson to receive a phone call. Because of the game, the hall was virtually empty. I saw several different groups of men wandering the hall, which made me uncomfortable. I see no reason for this to occur.

I have also found that some of the men prefer to be escorted, and still insist upon it, even though it is not required. They find it just as embarrassing to see half-naked females wandering around as the girls feel to be startled by the men.

My main point is this: it seems to me that by returning to the escort policy, it will be much more comfortable for all those involved. The no-escort policy is more beneficial for the men who want to wander than for the women who have to live in the dorms. I strongly urge the Dorm Council to reject the continuation of the no-escort policy, and return to the old system of female escorts.

Disney comments on illness

It is the policy of the Student Health Services not to give written excuses to the students who miss classes because of illness.

This is done to foster an attitude of responsibility toward classes and instructors. If bed-rest is advised, the student is asked to contact his instructor as soon as possible. Should there be any question, a call to the Health Services will verify the student's absence without breaking any confidentiality. Any absence known to the Health Services of five days or longer is automatically verified and sent to the Provost's office.

Only in the case of physical education classes is a statement given. The student is not to take part in the physical activity, but is to be present and observe. Students are asked to follow the same general rules if they are under the care of physicians outside the Student Health Services, according to Desmond Disney, M.D., director of the student health center.

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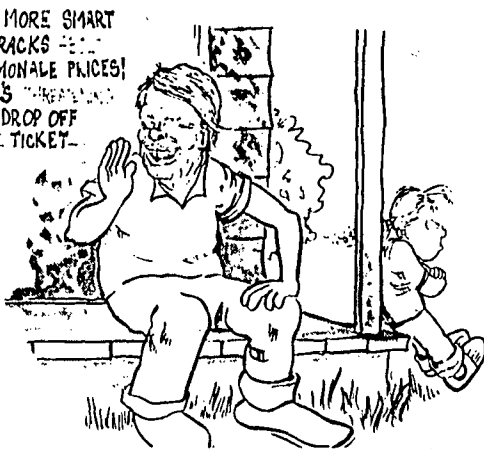
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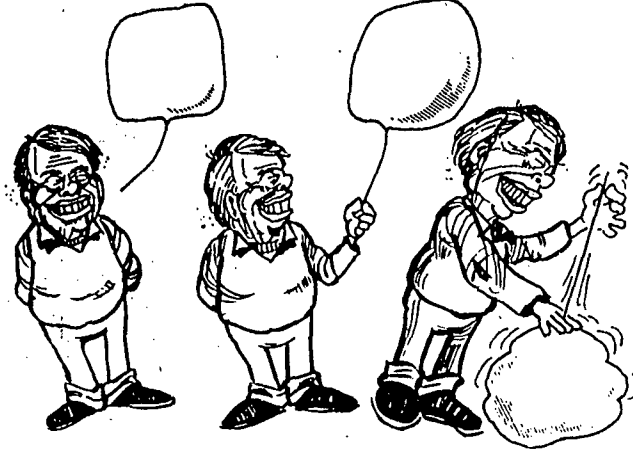


Hi there, fellow Americans, and welcome to Campaign Cut-ups '76! If you thought the primaries were ridiculous, just think back on the campaign: Ford's Follies and Carter's Capers. (A collection of cartoons by Jerry Benson, interpreted by M.M.)

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Our Bicentennial election year turned into a family affair, featuring Jack's joke jokes, Susan's sex-life and the first lady sitting quietly in the corner, trying not to upstage her husband. ... don't move, Betty! On the other side of the coin, Amy was queen of lemonade but daddy made her give back the Barbie clothes (and we always thought Mattel was non-partisan). Meanwhile, Mrs. Carter gave little heed to her husband's lust for other women—after all, who else would have worked for peanuts all these years?

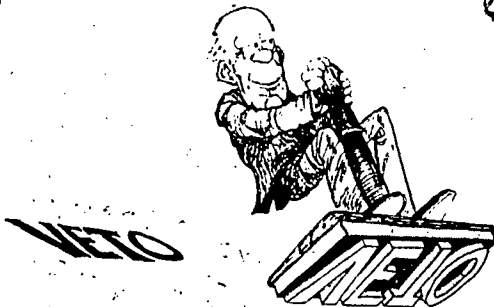


One unique feature of the campaign was the way in which J.C. chose to deal with his own statements. His words were rather vague, you see, so that they could be twisted to fit any occasion. In this manner, Carter could tell everyone everything they wanted to hear.

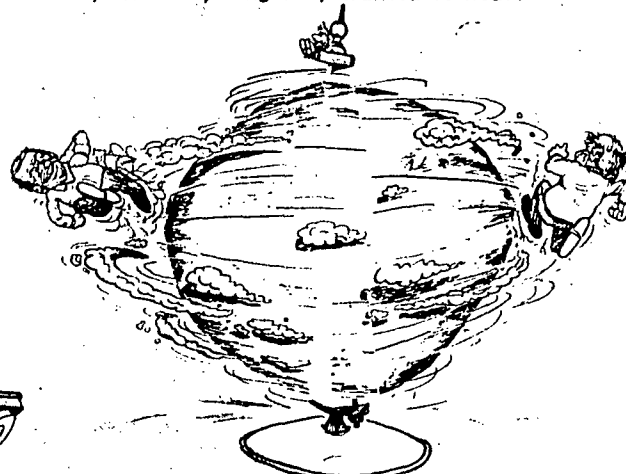
Uh... thanks for the audition guys... don't call us—we'll call you. And remember friends it could only happen in America.



Our glorious incumbent, on the other hand, couldn't seem to tell anyone anything they wanted to hear.



However, he had no trouble saying "no," and he once told a Pollock joke that has since become legendary.



So the dynamic duo battled, dragging the entire world into the debacle we fondly call a presidential election.

THE STROLLER

The Stroller was asked one evening to help investigate repeated stories of ghosts in various campus buildings. First he checked out the story that goblins had moved into Wilson and Richardson Halls while they were not in use. Sitting quietly in Richardson Hall, he waited for the nightly appearance of the ghouls. It was about 4 a.m. before they showed up and your sleepy-eyed Stroller was getting tired, having dozed off several times.

Finally, several ghosts slipped out of the occupied and unoccupied rooms. Doors opened... and closed. The spirits then apparently went into the restrooms. (I thought one of the privileges of dying was not having to... oh, well). Activity was picking up soon with ghosts darting all over the two halls. Lights flickered on and stereos and radios came on quietly.

The residents of the halls slept through these minor disturbances, many only tossing in their sleep. Your (by now) spooked Stroller could not tell who or what the beings were. Suddenly, at 5:30 a.m., just before sun-up or anyone had

arisen, the ghosts disappeared.

The following evening your friend went to Perrin Hall where similar events had been described. This time the lurking shadows came at him.

One demanded, "What are you doing here at this time of night?" Shiver. The idea of a talking ghost was hard to accept, but here it was.

Your Stroller answered her (in a girl's hall, the ghosts are female), "I am here to confirm stories about ghosts."

The ghost then said angrily, "There aren't any."

That evening, the Stroller checked reports about the former high-rise cafeteria. At about 9 p.m., your friend began hearing voices and sounds of eating. There was laughter and a long line of ghosts waiting to be served what seemed to be the noon meal. It brought back memories of spring of 1975, the last time the cafeteria was open. Yet, it was strange to hear and watch a group of chomping, cackling ghosts. Suddenly, reliving an incident in 1975, a person stood on a table, dropped his full tray, said, "I can't take this anymore," and ran out of the cafeteria. After the outburst, all soon quieted down. There were still sounds of laughter and talking, however, until someone from the bakery downstairs turned on a light and the ghosts vanished.

Some people don't believe in ghosts, however, and will say the Stroller was dreaming, hallucinating, drinking or is a tremendous liar. If this was so, how did the Stroller get this bruise? Where did his biology notes go? What is that strange handwriting on that paper on his desk? More importantly, where did the rest of this article go?

Presidential timber, they're not

Robert Pore

The first personal contact I had with a political campaign was the 1968 primary contest in Nebraska. I saw a Robert Kennedy sign in Omaha and I immediately developed a personal attachment to Kennedy that was shattered into a multitude of broken pieces by a .22 caliber bullet on a warm June night. The Kennedy charisma was again buried in Arlington Cemetery and Nixon succeeded in getting elected.

I can't help thinking, with the '76 election at hand, that Robert Kennedy would now be finishing his second term as president. Gerald Ford would still be a congressman from Michigan, while Jimmy Carter would be farming peanuts in Georgia, and Richard Nixon would be plotting another assault on the office of President of the United States. But we live in a world of strange political happenings that melt our aspirations and hopes into disillusionment... and nightmare.

The last eight years in American politics has been a period of confusion and turmoil. It began with the collapse of the Johnson administration in the early months of 1968 with the results of the New Hampshire primary, which illustrated the dissatisfaction with LBJ's Vietnam policy. Then came the assassination of Martin Luther King, followed by the murder of Robert Kennedy. Suddenly Hubert Humphrey got the nod from the Democratic party in the wake of the bloodbath on the streets of Chicago. Richard Nixon rose from the "you won't have Dick Nixon to kick around anymore" grave to capture the Republican nomination with an unknown running mate—Spiro Agnew.

The years from 1968 to 1972 were highlighted by Kent State and the expansion of the Vietnam war into neighboring Southeast Asian countries.

In 1972, George McGovern fought Muskie, Humphrey and numbers of other faceless Democrats to win the Democratic nomination, only to go down in defeat to the Nixon-Agnew gang. The assassin's bullet struck again in Silver Spring, Md., at the target of George Wallace. It seems that the bullet has become part of the political process.

The period between '72 and '76 put the American political system to the test with Watergate, the abuse of the CIA, and the Nixon tapes. What followed was the resignation of Agnew and Nixon and the elevation of Ford to the office of President, without the benefit of an election.

Earlier this year, half the Democratic party ran for their party's nomination but it was an unknown Southern democrat by the name of James Earl Carter who took the top prize at the July convention in New York City. The Republican battle was between ex-movie star governor of California, Ronald Reagan and Gerald Ford, a man seeking the mandate of the American voters for an office he had not been elected to. After months of mudslinging and verbal volleyball, Ford survived to man the ticket.

With television the main campaigning device used by the candidates, the key issue of this election has come down to which electronic image can provide moral leadership and "bring decency back to government." Can these abstract references to morality bring us government as good and decent as the American people? Or will the constant bombardment of politics on television put the voter into a stupor, causing apathy to set in?

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